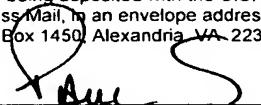




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Art Unit: 3714

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Examiner: Milap Shah

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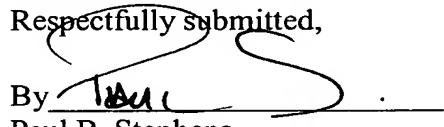
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Additionally, pursuant to MPEP §2001.06(b), applicant directs the examiner's attention to the following co-pending applications: U.S. Application Serial Nos. 10/241,804 and 10/827,042. The examiner may deem these applications as directed to somewhat similar subject matter to that of the present application. Various references cited in the attached form PTO/SB/08 were originally cited in and obtained from these applications.

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